



# Princesses, Fairies, Ballerinas & Dress-Up

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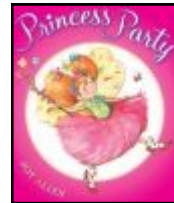
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## Princesses

### **Princess Party** by Joy Allen



*JPB "A"*

A princess can be pretty in pink, green or red, in jeans or a dress, with either boots or high heels, defend her castle or dance at the ball, because she is an incredible girl.

### **The Princess and the Pizza**

by Mary Jane and Herm Auch  
*JPB "A"*

An out-of-work princess applies to become the bride of Prince Drupert, but first she must pass several tests, including a cooking contest.



### **The Queen of Style**

by Caralyn Buehner



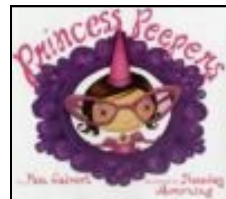
*JPB "B"*

When a bored queen decides to take a beauty school correspondence course, she begins monopolizing the time of her village's farmers with practice sessions in hairdressing and nail care.

### **Princess Peepers** by Pam Calvert

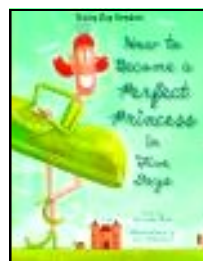
*JPB "C"*

When the other princesses make fun of her for wearing glasses, Princess Peepers vows to go without, but after several mishaps—one of which is especially coincidental—she admits that she really does need them if she wants to see.



### **How to Become a Perfect Princess in Five Days**

by Pierrette Dube



*JPB "D"*

Young Princess Stringbean, who loves to run everywhere she goes, attends the Perfect Princess Academy with less than perfect results.

### **The Princess Knight**

by Cornelia Funke

*JPB "F"*

Violetta is a small and spirited young princess who wants to be a knight, so she dresses like a boy and practices for the big day to prove herself.



### **Princess Pigsty** by Cornelia Funke



*JPB "F"*

Tired of being a princess, the youngest of three sisters throws her crown out the window and finds happiness working in the royal kitchen and pigsty.

### **The Very Smart Pea and the Princess to Be** by Mini Grey

*JPB "G"*

The pea gives its own version of what happened in the fairy tale, "The Princess and the Pea," from the time of its birth in the Palace Garden until it helps arrange a royal marriage.



### **Princess Hyacinth** by Florence Heide



*JPB "H"*

Princess Hyacinth is bored and unhappy sitting in her palace every day because, unless she is weighed down by specially-made clothes, she will float away. Her days are made brighter when kite-flying Boy stops to say hello.

### **Twenty-Six Princesses**

by Dave Horowitz

*JPB "H"*

Twenty-six princesses, one for each letter of the alphabet, go to a party at the prince's castle.



### **Princess Says Goodnight**

by Naomi Howland



*JPB "H"*

Rhyming text presents what a princess might do between leaving the ball and saying goodnight.

### **Princess Baby** by Karen Katz



*JPB "K"*

A little girl does not like any of the nicknames her parents have for her—she wants to be called by her "real" name, Princess Baby.

### **The Paper Princess**

by Elisa Kleven

*JPB "K"*

A little girl makes a picture of a princess that comes to life and is carried off by the wind.



### **Princesses Are Not Perfect**

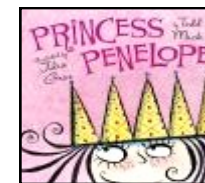
by Kate Lum

*JPB "L"*

Three princesses, each with a particular skill, decide they are bored with what they do and swap jobs.



### **Princess Penelope** by Todd Mack



*JPB "M"*

Penelope is certain that she is royalty because of all the similarities between her life and that of a princess.

### **I Want Two Birthdays** by Tony Ross



*JPB "R"*

A little princess decides that two birthdays would be better than one, and three better than two, until every day becomes her birthday. She soon realizes that the more birthdays she has, the less special they are.

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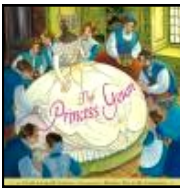
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The Princess Gown

by Linda Strauss  
JPB “S”  
If the wedding dress young Hanna’s family is making is not chosen for the princess, they will go to the poor house but thanks to Hanna’s sharp eyes and artistic ability, her father stands a very good chance of becoming embroiderer to the princess.



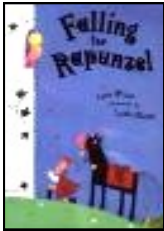
Waking Beauty

by Leah Wilcox  
JPB “W”  
Prince Charming tries all sorts of silly ways to wake Sleeping Beauty before he learns how he is really supposed to wake her up.



Falling for Rapunzel

by Leah Wilcox  
JPB “W”  
To rescue Rapunzel from her tower, a prince yells for her to throw down her hair; but being too far away to hear clearly, she tosses out various items from her room, including her maid.



Ballerinas, Fairies & Dress-Up

A Dozen Fairy Dresses

by Tennant Redbank  
Early Reader “Disney”  
With the Purple Moon Night Ball approaching, Hem, a talented seamstress, has big dreams of creating a beautiful dress until all the other fairies ask her to make new dresses for them.



Mia and the Too Big Tutu

by Robin Farley  
Early Reader “Farley, R.”  
Mia the kitten is so excited about her first day of ballet class that she accidentally brings her big sister’s tutu instead of her own.



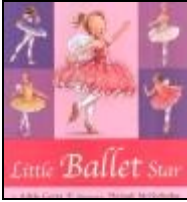
Ballet Kitty

by Bernette Ford  
JPB “F”  
Kitty loves ballet, but she can’t find her slippers and her friend is coming over to dance.



Little Ballet Star

by Adele Geras  
JPB “G”  
Tilly is thrilled when she gets to see her aunt perform in the ballet, “The Sleeping Beauty,” especially because she gets to go backstage and she even gets to perform in front of the audience.



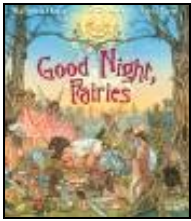
Jethro Byrd, Fairy Child

by Bob Graham  
JPB “G”  
Annabelle finds a family of fairies in the cement and weeds, but for some reason neither of her parents can see them.



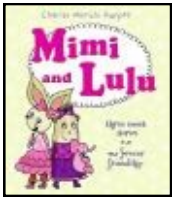
Good Night, Fairies

by Kathleen Hague  
JPB “H”  
At bedtime, a mother tells her curious child about the things that fairies do, like hang the stars in the evening sky and care for the toys that children have lost.



Mimi and Lulu

by Charise Harper  
JPB “H”  
Mimi and Lulu love many things, but especially being together.



Angelina Ballerina

by Kathleen Holabird  
JPB “H”  
Angelina loves to dance and wants to become a ballerina more than anything else in the world.



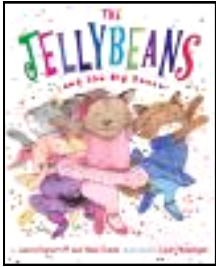
Brontorina

by James Howe  
JPB “H”  
Despite her size and not having the proper footwear, a determined dinosaur pursues her dream of becoming a ballerina.



The Jellybeans and the Big Dance

by Laura Numeroff  
JPB “N”  
When four young girls meet in dance class, it takes time for them to find a way—and a reason—to pull together as one, but Emily helps them realize that, just like a bag of jellybeans, they can be different and still go well together.



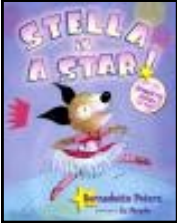
Fancy Nancy

by Jane O’Connor  
JPB “O” (first in series)  
A young girl who loves fancy things helps her family to be fancy for one special night.



Stella is a Star

by Bernadette Peters  
JPB “P”  
Stella would rather be a graceful pig ballerina than what she really is, a dog no one seems to like, but on the night of her ballet recital Stella learns that it is better to be herself.



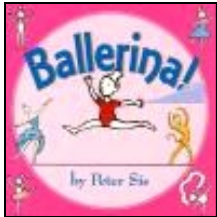
Alice the Fairy

by David Shannon  
JPB “S”  
Alice, who claims to be a Temporary Fairy, still has a lot to learn, such as how to make her clothes put themselves away in the closet.



Ballerina!

by Peter Sis  
JPB “S”  
A young girl puts on costumes of different colors and imagines herself dancing on stage.



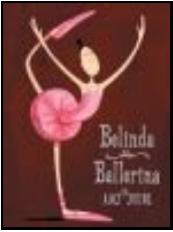
Come to the Fairies’ Ball

by Jane Yolen  
JPB “Y”  
All the fairies are excited to be invited to the King’s ball, except for one young fairy whose only party dress is in tatters.



Belinda, the Ballerina

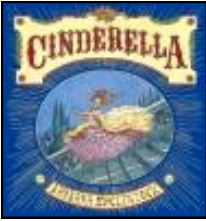
by Amy Young  
JPB “Y” (first in series)  
When Belinda auditions for the Spring Ballet Recital and the judges tell her she can not be a ballerina because her feet are too big, she tries to forget about dancing.



Non Fiction Books

Cinderella

retold by Barbara McClintock  
J398.2 McClintock, B.  
Although mistreated by her stepmother and stepsisters, Cinderella meets her prince with the help of her fairy godmother.



My First Ballet Book

by Kate Castle  
J792.8 Castle  
Written by Kate Castle, a former Royal Ballet dancer, this is an introduction for young readers to all aspects of the world of ballet.



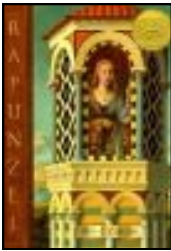
Princess: The Essential Guide

by Naia Bray-Moffatt  
J791.43652 Bray-Moffatt  
A guide to Disney’s princesses, each one’s hobbies, personality, friends, enemies, and special moments from her story.



Rapunzel

retold by Paul O. Zelinsky  
J398.209 Zelinsky  
A retelling of a folktale in which a beautiful girl with long gold hair is kept imprisoned in a lonely tower by a sorceress. Includes a note on the origins of the story.



Secret Fairy Homes

J398.45 Secret  
Visit various fairy homes and unfold the poster-sized pages to see all the secret surprises in the tiny rooms of five different fairies.

